

## PEACE PROPOSAL CONFLICTS WITH NATION'S WISHES

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Several of Government  
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trely unexpected, the conclusion having been drawn because of the silence that the terms of the settlement did not meet his wishes or, in his opinion, the aspirations of that section of Ireland which he represents.

Little surprise was evinced here at Mr. De Valera's repudiation of the treaty, as unofficial government advice already had raised a doubt that such a strongly avowed republican would accept a compromise which cuts across his cherished political views. His oft-repeated claim for the total independence of Ireland had been reiterated only today when at the opening of the Christmas session of the Irish Industries at Mansion House, Dublin, during an interview in the session of the Dail Eireann cabinet, Mr. De Valera said:

Want Irish Ireland.

"What we want is an Irish Ireland, in which Irishmen can work out their own destinies—a Gaelic Ireland, a free Ireland."

Mr. De Valera's statement mentions only two of his ministers as supporting his hostility to the agreement, it is assumed that the other members are in favor of it and that thus the treaty commands a majority of the cabinet. What effect this split will have in the Dail Eireann can at present be only conjectured. All recent reports have agreed that there was a probability that a sharp cleavage would develop at the meeting of the assembly next Wednesday.

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Several meetings of the Dail Eireann cabinet were held in Dublin today and while no official statement was given out, it was strongly hinted that a division of views had occurred among the Sinn Fein ministers. In his public statement Mr. De Valera makes it known that in his opposition to the settlement he has the support of at least two members of the cabinet, the minister of home affairs and the minister of defense, Austin Stack and Charles Burgess.

**Treaty Has Supporters.**

On the other hand Arthur Griffith founder of the Sinn Fein and minister of foreign affairs, Michael Collins, the finance minister, Robert C. Barton, minister of economics, and George Gaynor Duffy and Eamon J. Duggan, have already affixed their signatures to the treaty as plenipotentiaries. The views of other members of the cabinet have not been made public.

Mr. De Valera has summoned the Dail Eireann to meet next Wednesday morning. It is on that day that the imperial parliament will be opened in state for the purpose of having the treaty submitted to it.

**Will Assume Obligations.**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The new Irish free state will assume the obligations in this country of the Irish republic, amounting to about \$26,000,000. Stephen M. O'Mara, mayor of Limerick, and fiscal agent of the Irish government, said Thursday night. Mr. O'Mara said the certificates of the republic sold in this country were regarded as a moral obligation of the Irish people and probably would be converted into bonds bearing interest at five per cent to correspond to the rates of the certificates. There had been, he said, two issues of certificates placed in the United States, one amounting to \$300,000 and the second, which was floated only to the extent of \$350,000 in Illinois and \$20,000 in the District of Columbia.

Mr. O'Mara expressed the belief that the bonds would be of short maturity in view of the smallness of the sums raised in this country as compared with the annual revenue of Ireland which he estimated at \$250,000,000 a year. The certificates of the republic were dated for six months after the evacuation of British troops from Ireland, and it is indicated that the date of the free state bonds would probably correspond.

**Griffith Will Support Irish Pact As Made**

By Associated Press  
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**Declare 55,000 Out.**

While the packing companies still maintained that the strike was of small consequence and not seriously affecting them, Cornelius Hayes, international president of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workers of North America, declared that it had reached the 100 percent stage.

Mr. Hayes declared that 55,000 men were on strike in the various packing centers, 29,000 of these being in Chicago. Of the latter, 20,000 were employed by the big five packers, Swift, Armour, Morris, Wilson and Cudahy, he said.

## City Briefs

About 25 members of the South Bend Wholesale Grocers association were present at the meeting and dinner held last night in the pink room of the Oliver hotel.

**Hilton Hammond, 601 Lincoln Way, East, prominent local contractor, is critically ill at his residence following a heart attack Thursday morning.**

**The South Bend Radio Association** will meet Friday evening at the Indiana Michigan Electric Co. warehouse.

**The girls of Newman's store** entertained with a dance at The Tribune auditorium on Wednesday night, the Woolman orchestra playing the popular songs of dances. Punch was served. A prize for the best waltzing was awarded to Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Martin.

**Harmony Camp, No. 78, Woodsmen of the World, will hold its regular meeting tonight at which time the election of officers for the year will be held.**

**The condition of Fred C. Klein,** who has been seriously ill for the past 10 days, is reported as satisfactory. The jurist continues to improve slowly, and attending physicians now hold out hope for his complete recovery.

**The Grand Union Tea Co.** filed suit in superior court No. 1, Thursday against Alonzo McCullough charging conversion of \$151 in June, 1926, of which \$103 was in premium coupons and the balance in stocks of coffee and by-products.

**At weekly meeting of the Kiwanis club held Thursday noon in the Rotary room of the Oliver health week," and "educational week" were featured on the program. Supt. of Schools W. W. Borner discussed education in the schools of this city and was followed by J. Beyers, principal of the Junior High school who enlarged on the work carried on in the preparatory grades. Dr. W. H. Hillman was the speaker on the health week program.**

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**Funerals**

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**OUTBREAKS AT CHICAGO YARDS GROW VIOLENT**

**One Man Shot and Scores Are Hurt in Clash With Police.**

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**RECORDS CHANGED.**

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known here.

**Claim Errors in Minutes.**

Mr. Biers identified a printed pamphlet of the minutes of the San Joaquin county board's meeting of Sept. 14, 1926, as the certified copy which he furnished the defense and said he later discovered an error and furnished the governor's lawyers a corrected copy.

The alleged error was in the closing sentence of the report, which in the printed copy read:

"On the motion of Mr. Becker the board adjourned until Thurs-

day morning." Jack Farrell and Jose Sexton in a comedy skit entitled "A Little Light Subject," went over big, while Or